PTO/SB/01 (6-95) Approved for use through 9/30/98. OMB 0651-0032 Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE 700399.90053 **Attorney Docket Number** U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office 0010/PT0 Rev. 6/95 First Named Inventor Mark R. McCormick COMPLETE IF KNOWN **DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN** Application Number PATENT APPLICATION Filing Date **Group Art Unit** Declaration OR Declaration Submitted Submitted after **Examiner Name** with Initial Filing Initial Filing As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: METHOD FOR PRECIPITATING NUCLEIC ACID WITH VISIBLE CARRIER (Title of the Invention) the specification of which X is attached hereto OR was filed on (MM/DD/YY) as United States Application Number of PCT International Application Number and was amended on (MM/DD/YY) I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations \$1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or §385(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. Prior Foreign Application Number(s) Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YY) **Priority** Certified Copy Attached? Country Not Claimed YES NO Additional foreign applications numbers are listed on a supplemental priority sheet attached hereto: I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below. Application Number(s) Filing Date (MM/DD/YY) Additional provisional

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